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¶1. SUMMARY: AN EDITORIAL IN THE SHARJAH-BASED PAN-ARAB DAILY "AL-KHALEEJ" DESCRIBED THE SITUATION OF U.S. TROOPS IN IRAQ AS "A COSTLY DILEMMA." THE EDITORIAL CLAIMED THAT THE US LAUNCHED THE

WAR BASED ON "DECEPTION, FORGERY, AND LIES" AND THAT THE U.S. HAS "BEGUN TO HARVEST THE RESULT OF ITS DEEDS." THE EDITORIAL FURTHER ASSERTED THAT THE UNANTICIPATED PROBLEMS IN IRAQ EXPLAIN IS WHY THE U.S. ADMINISTRATION WANTS "TO GET OTHER NATIONS INVOLVED IN THIS QUAGMIRE." END SUMMARY.

¶2. UNDER THE HEADLINE "A QUAGMIRE OF LIES," SHARJAH-BASED PAN-ARAB DAILY "AL-KHALEEJ" 7/12 EDITORIALIZED:

"THREE AMERICAN SITUATIONS IN THE LAST TWENTY FOUR HOURS CONFIRM THAT THE U.S. IS BEGINNING TO FEEL ITS OCCUPATION OF IRAQ HAS BECOME A COSTLY DILEMMA ... THE FIRST SITUATION WAS PRESIDENT BUSH'S DECLARATION THAT HIS NATION IS FACING A SECURITY PROBLEM IN IRAQ. THE SECOND SITUATION WAS SECRETARY POWELL'S ANNOUNCEMENT THAT HIS COUNTRY IS DISCUSSING WITH ITS ALLIES A ROLE THAT NATO CAN PLAY IN IRAQ. THE THIRD SITUATION WAS THE UNANIMOUS APPROVAL BY THE U.S. SENATE OF A RESOLUTION ENCOURAGING THE AMERICAN ADMINISTRATION TO SEEK NATO AND UN'S ASSISTANCE TO MAINTAIN PEACE AND SECURITY IN IRAQ ..."

"... THE AMERICAN DILEMMA HAS BEGUN TO TAKE ON A DOMESTIC DIMENSION FOLLOWING THE REVELATION OF A SCANDAL OF LIES USED BY U.S. ADMINISTRATION TO JUSTIFY ITS AGGRESSION AGAINST IRAQ BASED ON CLAIMS THAT IRAQ POSSESSES WMD. ALSO, THE BAD PLANNING OF THE WAR AND ITS CONSEQUENCES HAVE ELICITED SHARP CRITICISMS FROM CONGRESS AND SENIOR AMERICAN OFFICIALS .... THOSE WHO LAUNCHED THEIR WAR THROUGH DECEPTION, FORGERY, AND LIES HAVE BEGUN TO HARVEST THE RESULT OF THEIR DEEDS. THEY ARE DROWNING IN A QUAGMIRE OF LIES AND ARE TRYING TO GET OTHERS INVOLVED IN THIS."

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